Woman's Work - 1925

STATE FEDERATION HOLDS SILVER JUBILEE

Kansas State Federation of Colored Womens' Clubs Held Their Silver Jubilee at St. John's A. M. E. Church, 7th and Topeka Boulevard, June 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11

GREATEST MEETING IN THE HISTORY OF THE ORGANIZATION

Topeka Colored People Covered Themselves With Glory in Handling the Silver Jubilee

Topeka Plaindealer 6-12-25 Topeka Kansas

The Colored Women's Federated Club held their Silver Jubilee in Topeka this week at St. John's A. M. E Church, 7th and Topeka Boulevard This was one of the greatest meetings in the history of the organization. Great ovation was given Mrs. Elizabeth Washington, the first president of the organization, at the opening of the meeting at Memorial Hall. Mrs. Washington is one of Kansas' first and best leading ladies. It is thru her that this organization was founded twenty-five years ago with a small number of ladies. Beautiful badges were worn by the delegates with the likeness of Mrs Washington stamped on a pendant and attached to the badges. Mrs Daisy Lampkin of Philadelphi, Pa. national organizer, delivered a fine address on the progress of the colored women federation of clubs in the United States. Several selections were delivered by the sweet singers of Topeka and the Burleigh Quartette, which is under the instruction of Mrs. Reeves. She is one of the finest musical directors in the west.

Mrs. Beatrice Childs
State President

The session was opened at St. John A. M. E. Church on Monday morning with the following officers:

Mrs. Elizabeth Washington. Topeka, Founder and Mother; Mrs. Beatrice L. Childs, Kansas City, Kan., President. Mrs. Irene Booker, Topeka, Vice President; Mrs. Leona B. Davidson, Kansas City, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Birdie Scott Taylor, Topeka, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Nettie Glass, Parsons, Treasurer; Mrs. Chas. W. French, Topeka, Parliamentarian; Mrs. Mary Graham, Topeka Statistician; Mrs. V. Alma Boone Kansas City, State Organizer; Mrs. T. W. Fines, Wichita, State Music Directress; Mrs. Etta M. Jackson, Topeka, Asst. State Music Directress; Mrs. Bessie Harris, Topeka, Chaplain; Miss Dorothy Sims, Wichita, State Pianist; Mrs. Katherine Helm, Wichita, Chr. Executive Board; Mrs. L. Jeans James, State Auditor; Mrs. Geo Payne, Newton, Official Doorkeeper (Honorary Member.)

There were over three or four hundred delegates in attendance. The first day, Monday, was Junior and Juvenile Day. They opened with the following officers:

Founder — Mrs. Beatrice Childs, President of Kansas State Senior Federation; President, Miss N. Okellan Grant, Topeka; Vice President, Miss Thelma Miller, lathe; Recording Secretary, Miss Gladys Martin, Topeka; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Eugenia Moten; Treasurer, Miss Gladys Reynolds, Atchison, Kan.; Chaplain Miss Estelle Wills, Kansas City; Parliamentarian, Miss Dorothy Jean Jones, Topeka; Statistician, Miss Maudelin E. Plummer, Hutchinson; State Auditor, Miss Blanch McGill Topeka; State Junior Organizer, Miss Viola Scott, Topeka; State Junior Matron Organizer, Mrs. Harriet G Jones, Topeka; State Junior Music Directress, Mrs. Ida Brown, Parsons; Chr. Executive Board, Miss Diantha Booker, Topeka.

Under Miss Ok-Fan Grant, the president, the young people covered themselves with credit and honor. Miss Grant is certainly the right lady in the right place and she is doing much to advance the standard of the young people. The Junior and Juvenile Contest Monday Night was a success and attended by a large crowd. Many had to be turned away. Many prizes were awarded. Tuesday morning child welfare and social hygiene were the principal subjects discussed. The parade Tuesday afternoon was given in honor of the founder, Mrs. Elizabeth Washington. A beautiful number of floats decorated by the different clubs and the organization paraded the main streets. Prizes were given for the best decorated floats. Ne Plus Ultra, won first prize; Oak Leaf Club, second prize; Poinsetta club, third prize.

The most interesting part of the session was on Thursday. The election of officers seems to have worked the delegates up to a high pitch of enthusiasm. There were several contestants for the various offices, from president down.

Mrs. Charles W. French, Topeka, demonstrated her ability as a parliamentarian and was always ready to respond to any question that seemed to tie up the convention.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Berthune of Daytona, Florida, presided at the election. The nominating speeches were exceptionally fine and the women displayed great ability for handling Robert's Rules of Order and general parliamentary uses more than any meeting we have ever attended held by men. We must say that we believe the women are surpassing the men when it comes to handling conventions and other organization work It was a scource of pleasure and enjoyed by all to see so many of the women display so much ability in discussing the Constitution and By-Laws of the organization and especially that portion pertaining to the election of officers. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Beatrice L. Childs, President; Mrs. Rosa Bridgeforth, first vice president; Mrs. Camille Briggs, second vice president; Mrs. Leona B Davidson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Amelia B. Talbert, treasurer; Mrs. Catherin eShakespeare, recording secretary; Mrs. Hattie McLin, assistant recording secretary; Mrs. Victory Wright, Chaplain.

Mrs. Bethune, who is president of the Daytona Cookman Collegiate Institute, addressed the meeting on Thursday night. She is the National President of Colored Womens' clubs of the United States, representing over 150,000 colored women. Mrs Bethune is in a class all to herself

Mrs. Esther Scott

She electrified the audience when she told of her struggle from a log cabin in South Carolina where she had to walk five miles to school in the morning and five miles back in the evening; how she was first taught to read the testament; and afterwards how the unlettered old colored people would gather on Sunday to hear her read the work as spoken by the Saviour; how some good white woman, Mrs. Christman, asked for some bright girl to educate and Mrs. Bethune was the girl selected; she spoke of how delightful it was to help educate others, and that it was her Christian duty to repay those who had helped her by helping others. Her school is one of the leading schools of the country. She started with five little girls several years ago with a log cabin school. Now the value of the property and buildings are estimated at nearly a million dollars. All this great work has been brought about by the efforts of this great woman. We wish we had ten colored men in the United States who had the pluck and energy of this great Christian woman.

She was elected National President of State Federated Womens' Clubs in Chicago last August, and is now serving her first term. She said when she took hold of the office there was nothing handed to her but a gavel. She is now re-organizing the ladies federation and hopes to have records and general headquarters in Washington, D. C., where the federation of clubs will be recognized as one of the leading organizations of the race, and will take up matters pertaining to the women and children of the race along all honorable lines that will advance them. Mrs. Bethune was given applause and several ovations. She certainly means business and her visit to Topeka has brought out enthusiasm to the women of Kansas.

Mrs. T. W. Fines, the State Musical Director, sang two beautiful solos. Her voice was soft and full of melody, redounded and echoed and so thrilled the audience that she was recalled. Mrs. Fines is a fine singer and one of our leading women who is uplifting the race. Mrs. Ida Brown of Parsons also sang a beautiful solo. Mrs. Willa Dwiggins read the Constitution on the inter-racial commission.

District Directors, Mrs. Etta M Jackson, Topeka, Mrs. V. Alma Boone Kansas City, Mrs. Anna Livingston Wichita and Mrs. Lillian French Christian, Parsons, made excellent reports of their districts.

The City Federation of Colored Women of Topeka deserves great credit in handling this Silver Jubilee. They certainly left no stone unturned and made it pleasant for the visitors and nothing but praises and commendations were heard on all sides and everybody went home feeling good and that the trip to Topeka had been doubly repaid.

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The art and craft exhibit under the management of Mrs. A. J. Bouldin was beyond human comprehension; a value of $25,000 was placed on the work. It has been proved without a doubt that colored women are becoming some of the finest artists in art

and craft and will soon take the front rank in America.

Mrs. Bethune was delayed on account of attending the funeral of Mrs Booker T. Washington who was laid beside her husband, Booker T. Washington, last Tuesday.

The Departmental heads made excellent reports:

State Scholarship and Loan—Mrs. Irene Booker.
Educational—Mrs. Leona B. Davidson.
Home Economics—Mrs. Thos. R. Connon.
Social Service—Mrs. Sarah F. Malone
Health and Hygiene—Mrs. Louise Martin.
Church Department—Mrs. M. A. Turner.
Arts and Crafts—Mrs. A. J. Bouldin.
Legislative—Mrs. Ella Rolling.
Citizenship—Mrs. Dorsey Green.
Business—Mrs. Essie Clark.
Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical—Mrs. Lulu Colbert.
Child Welfare—Mrs. Camille Briggs

The Home Committee was as follows:

Chr. Gen. Arrangements—Mrs. Rosa Jackson.
Chr. Homes—Mrs. Emily Jones.
Chr. Badges and Publicity—Mrs. Esther Scott.
Chr. Finance—Mrs. Elizabeth Slaughter.
Chr. Decoration—Mrs. Gilyard Mims
Chr. Resolutions—Mrs. Laura Williams.
Chr. Reception—Mrs. Martha Drane.
Chr. Arts and Crafts—Mrs. Rodger Fox.
Chr. Music—Mrs. Zenola Jackson Reeves.
Chr. Waitress—Mrs. Jeanette Haley.
Ushers and Pages—Girls from Junior Federation.

The honored guests were Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune, National President of National Association Daytona, Fla., and Mrs. Daisy Lampkins National Organizer of National Association Colored Women, Philadelphia, Pa., and Mrs. Myrtle Foster Cook, Editor of National Notes, Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Beatrice Childs, president of the Federation, is a fine presiding officer. The federation is to be commended on having such a fine officer With such ability to preside over the organization. She is an accomplished lady, painstaking, and beloved by the federation. She is also supervisor of the Colored State Schools of Kansas

Mrs. Irene Booker
Vice President

Mrs. Birdie Scott Taylor
Recording Secretary

STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS MEET IN FARMVILLE

Large Delegation From All Parts of Country Expected To Attend Sessions July 1-3

The Virginia State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs will meet in Farmville, Va., beginning Tuesday evening, June 30, and running through July 1st, 2, and 3. A large delegation from all parts of the State is expected. Farmville women have made extensive preparations for the entertainment of the guests. On July 4, there will be a meeting of the Inter-Racial Committee of Women. Mrs. Janie Porter Barrett, president; Mrs. Margaret Johnson of Richmond, recording secretary; Mrs. John H. Gray, Hampton, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Wm. M. Reid, Portsmouth, treasurer; Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, Richmond, auditor.

NEGRO WOMEN END SUCCESSFUL MEET

Local Organizations Represented at Selma Conference Number 53; Citizens Thanked

The Alabama Federation of "Colored Women's clubs," affiliated with the national federation of "Colored Women's clubs," composed of 53 local organizations, presided over by Vice-President M. L. Darden, of Opelika, has just closed the most successful meeting in its history for 26 consecutive years, according to a statement by Dean A. F. Owens, Selma, where the meeting was held during the past week.

While the federation founded the Mt. Meigs Reformatory for delinquent boys, which institution was taken over by the state in 1911, the federation's objective is the maintenance of the rescue home for delinquent negro girls, established by that organization near the Reform school for boys.

Montgomery Advertiser 6-10-25

The twenty-seventh annual meeting consisted of two-day sessions lasting seven hours each, and three night meetings from 8 to 10:30, thus crowding a week's work into 21 hours. The three social functions tendered by the local clubs and other citizens were held after the night meetings.

The sessions were featured by welcome addresses delivered by Dr. R. E. Brooks, of Payne University, Rev. J. C. White of the Congregational church and E. T. Walker, respectively, for the citizens, the churches and the Selma clubs; a response was made by L. S. Gaillard, of Birmingham.

The opening meetings held at the First Baptist church Wednesday night and attended by club members and other representative citizens of Selma set the pace for great meetings Thursday night at Brown Chapel A. M. E. church and the closing session Friday night at Selma university. E. Julius Williams, of Anniston, state social welfare worker, and member of the advisory board, was present at all the meetings and rendered valuable service.

R. M. Neely, of Birmingham, read a paper Thursday night on "Noteworthy Achievements of Negro Women During 1924," and Dr. L. L. Burwell, of Selma, delivered an address on "Handicapped Children." M. E. Williams, Tuskegee Institute, closed the Thursday night's addresses stressing the "Value of Health Education of Our Children."

Friday morning the federation solemnly assembled in the chapel at Payne university. The blow came on the announcement of the death of the widow of the late Booker T. Washington president of the federation, formerly president of the national federation.

But somehow, the federation "must carry on." Listlessly, with heavy hearts, delegates read reports from local clubs, auditing committee, finance committee, advisory board, district organizers. Then came the formal announcement of the death of the president of the federation.

The closing exercises were held in the Dinkins Memorial chapel, Selma university, when final reports were read, resolutions passed, memorial services conducted, and officers installed by A. F. Owens, of Selma university and member of the advisory board.

The treasurer's report showed that $3,636.24 had been raised during the year ending with the Selma meeting, including $1,407.43 collected in Selma and $624.73 earned from labor by the girls in the rescue home fostered by the federation.

The report showed also a disbursement of $1,595.34, leaving a balance on hand of $2,040.90. The receipts for the year showed an increase of $1,461.33 over the total reported at the Gadsden meeting last year.

The report on resolutions thanked citizens of Selma for their unbounded hospitality and cited the life and services of the late President Washington and pledged renewed efforts to continue the altruistic work of the organization. The next meeting will be held in Tuscaloosa. Benediction was by Dr. R. T. Pollard.

SITUATION GRAVE IN INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Reports Declare American Societies Considering Withdrawing From Deliberations; D. A. R. Refuse Use of Hall

WASHINGTON, May 8.—More troubled seas appeared ahead of the International Council of Women tonight, with indications that American patriotic societies connected with the organization might consider withdrawing from its deliberations should its meetings develop a pacificistic trend.

A leader of one of the patriotic organizations denied a report that she left the council chamber late today, however, that some of them had withdrawn. While making it clear that such a move had not been formally considered she asserted that women of pacificist leanings occupied key positions in the council.

As symptomatic of fears that some patriotic groups feel, she recalled that the Daughters of the American Revolution, which is not in council membership, had declined to permit the council to use the auditorium of Memorial Continental hall.

Interest in the withdrawal rumors, injected as they were into an already complex situation, reached a particularly high pitch tonight because the council's program tomorrow calls for consideration of resolutions of the peace committee which deal with disarmament, the league of nations and the world court.

Another "race discrimination" storm cloud also hung over the convention tonight, in connection with the sale of tickets for the council's pageant of peace and war tomorrow night. White purchasers were declared to be asking ticket refunds upon learning that negroes were being sold seats in all parts of the auditorium.

The setting aside of a block of seats for negroes in the gallery for Tuesday night's American music program led to charges of "race discrimination" from their leaders and more than 200 of their singers withdrew from the program.

The council's program tonight was reserved for parties tendered by ambassadors, ministers and private friends to the visitors. Announcement of results of the balloting for the organization's new officers, which proceeded late today, were deferred until tomorrow. Lady Aberden, the incumbent, was the only candidate for the presidency.

Over the protest of Portugal and Ukraine the council today voted to levy a pro rata assessment on national councils, in addition to the present $100 required each five years, to bring its income up to $10,000 annually. This came on the heels of the treasurer's announcement that on March 31, 1925, the council had only $20 balance in the bank. The vote on the assessment was 227 for and 20 against.

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COLORED WOMEN'S CLUBS TO GATHER

State Federation Convenes for Discussions Tomorrow at Phyllis Wheatley House

The midwinter session of the State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs will take place tomorrow at the Phyllis Wheatley house, 808 Bassett place N. The executive session will begin at 10 a.m., with Mrs. Ruth Grice, St. Paul, presiding.

A luncheon, which is open to the public, will be served at 12:30 p.m. Reservations must be made before 9 a.m. tomorrow, Mrs. James Page, president of the Woman's Christian Association, will speak. Mrs. Robert A. Van Hook, general chairman, will welcome the delegates.

The afternoon session will begin at 2 p.m. with Mrs. Susan B. Evans, Duluth, presiding. Mrs. E. A. Carter, executive secretary of the Urban League of St. Paul, will lead the discussion of "The Negro in Industry." George G. De Vaughn, Minneapolis attorney, will speak on the same subject.

Mrs. Harold Combs, representative of the hygiene department, New York, will speak on "The Health of the American Negro." Miss W. Gertrude Brown, head resident at Phyllis Wheatley house, will lead the discussion of the "Value of Supervised Play," followed by Miss Myrtle D. Hull, visitor with the Family Welfare Association.

Dr. Raymond Cannon, national president of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, will lead discussion of "The Negro in Education," followed by Mrs. Marie T. Coles, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Mrs. Jessie Murdock Williams, Duluth, honorary president of the state federation, will speak on "The American Negro Poetry." Mrs. Blanche Oliver will give a musical program.

A birthday cake will be cut at the social hour and tea at 5 p.m. Mrs Ida Sellar, president of the city federation, and Mrs. Kathryn Smith, will be in charge.

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CLEVELAND HOST TO CLUB WOMEN OF OHIO STATE

Many Delegates Flock Into City for 25th Annual Federation Meet

Cleveland, Ohio, June 27.—Cleveland is host to one of the largest gatherings of women in the state this week. The occasion is the 25th anniversary of the Ohio State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs in session at St. John's A. M. E. church, 40th and Central. Two hundred women from all over the state are in attendance, also several of the national leaders. The official welcome was extended Tuesday morning by Mrs. Marie T. Brown, local president. Among the prominent women expected during the session are Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, national president, Daytona, Fla.; Mrs. Carrie Clifford, honorary state president, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Hallie Q. Brown, past president of the national body; Mrs. Estelle Davis, Cincinnati, is presiding at the sessions.

Subjects being discussed during the session are: "The Women's Part in the Education of the Youth," "The Influence of the Press," "Interracial Relationships and the Club Women's Responsibility," "Child Training in the Light of Modern Educational Methods," "Efficient Leadership." E. T. Atwell was to speak on "Recreation and Its Relation to Character Building" and Hallie Q. Brown on "What We Owe to Our Young People."

Prominent on the committee of arrangements are Mrs. Hattie Fairfax, reception committee; Mrs. Mollie DeBraun, chairman of the executive committee; Mrs. Mae Basey, housing; Mrs. Lethia Fleming, entertainment; Mrs. Elizabeth Moore publicity.

The federation maintains a student fund which is loaned to worthy young people who have not the means to finish their education. The juvenile department, which includes the fund, will form the basis of Friday's program. More than 300 delegates are expected and all sessions will be open.

The Ohio federation has the distinction of having won the loving cup at the national convention in Chicago for raising $2,000 for the national education fund.

Chicago Defender 6-27-25 Chicago, Ill.

IS MARY B. TALBERT FORGOTTEN?

(Columbian Press Bureau)

When the members of the Executive Committee of the Federation of Colored Women's Clubs prepared the copy for the Quinquennial official souvenir program it appears that they made the inexcusable blunder of omitting the photographs of Mary B. Talbert and Hallie Q. Brown. Notwithstanding her splendid work and tireless efforts in connection with the purchase and dedication of the Douglass Home, the name of the late and lamented Mary B. Talbert is mentioned only at the bottom of the page in fine print and marked with a star. This blunder has occasioned considerable unfavorable comment among the members of the organization and will doubtless be the subject of an acrimonious discussion at the next national convention of the Federation.

Washington Eagle 6-6-25 Washington, D.C.

WOMEN'S STATE FEDERATION CLOSES SESSION

NINETEEN TWENTY-FIVE CONVENTION PASSES INTO HISTORY WITH RECORD

MORE THAN NINETY WOMEN REPORTED AS MESSENGERS FROM THE VARIOUS CLUBS

Officers were elected and the time and place chosen for the 1926 session of the Women's Federation that has been holding fort in this city since Saturday morning. The credential committee is said to have reported a total representation of ninety messengers, the west and middle part of the state being the most largely represented. Nashville led in the representation due to the fact, it is said, that the meeting was held in this city, but Memphis took the banner in out of town messengers, there being approximately twenty from the city on the bluff.

Nashville Globe 6-26-'25

From the time the meeting opened until the closing hours there was a busy program. One of the big outstanding features was the Sunday afternoon mass meeting, at which Mrs. Bethune, the national president, electrified the audience that filled the Bijou Theatre and put standing room at a premium. Mrs. Bethune works in the educational world and her position with respect to woman's suffrage has put her prominently before the nation, as it is known that she worked with such women as Carrie Nation, Mrs. Catt, Dr. Shaw and others of national and international fame.

The social features of the Federation took up a great part of the time, not however to the disadvantage of the splendid program that had been arranged for the week. A large number of papers dealing with civic affairs, with political affairs, on health, sanitation in fact subjects of interest to every phase of the life in a community and the nation were discussed ably by representatives from various Clubs.

Among the closing affairs none was more largely attended than the public reception on Tuesday night at the A. M. E. Sunday School Union, the garden party held at beautiful Greenwood Park, compliments of Mrs. Preston Taylor to the visiting messengers of the Federation, with the auto ride Thursday that gave the visitors some insight to Nashville as a metropolitan burg, an educational center, a religious headquarters and a growing city, to be reckoned with not only by the other cities of Tennessee but by the nation. Representatives from this State Federation to the session that is to be held next year in Oakland, California, were recommended and Tennessee was urged to send a large delegation.

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STATE COLORED FEDERATION TO HOLD SESSION HERE

AFFAIR NEXT SATURDAY

Tenth Annual Convention at Governor St. Hall Will Also Serve as Memorial Service to Late Dr. Geo. E. Cannon, Former President

The tenth annual convention of the Federation of Colored Organizations of New Jersey and a memorial service in honor of the late Dr. George E. Cannon, formerly president of the Federation, will take place next Saturday.

Elaborate arrangements have been made for the affair, which will be held in the Colored Men's Association Hall, 159 Governor street. Delegates from all sections of the State will attend the event which, it is planned, will be a gigantic affair.

There will be three sessions, opening in the morning at 10:30 o'clock with the members of the Equal Rights League, of this city, in charge. Mrs. Anna L. Randolph will preside.

The afternoon session will begin at 3 o'clock, when the annual reports of the Federation's activities will be made and officers elected.

The evening session will open at 8 o'clock, when the officers will be formally installed.

The objects of the Federation are: To encourage racial unity, business enterprise, thrift, higher and industrial education; to protect and safeguard inherent rights and privileges, to stimulate civic pride and consciousness, and to furnish a channel through which can be fostered the principles, ideals and purposes of their religious, civic, fraternal, charitable, social and political units by establishing this clearing association.

Mrs. Hunton Qualified For Fine Work As Head Of N. Y. Women's Body

Mrs. Addie W. Hunton of Brooklyn, widow of the late William A. Hunton, who was an international secretary of the National Y. M. C. A. board in its work among colored men, was named at the recent session of the Empire State Federation of Colored Womens Clubs as its president, succeeding Mrs. M. C. Lawton, also of Brooklyn, who had served for ten consecutive years.

New York Age 7-18-25 New York N.Y.

Mrs. Hunton has a national acquaintance, having been engaged in both Y. W. C. A. and club work, her duties taking her to all parts of the country. Up to a year ago she was one of the field secretaries of the N. A. A. C. P., resigning because of ill health. She is first vice-president of the International Council of the Women of Darker Races, of which the late Mrs. Booker T. Washington was president. She is also chairman of the Department of Programs and Literature of the National Association of Colored Women, anad president of the Circle of Peace and Foreign Relations.

A recent appointment made her a member of the National Y. W. C. A. Council for Colored Work, and a member of the National Boards Committee for Girls' Reserves.

During the World War, Mrs. Hunton volunteered for Y. W. C. A. canteen work with our soldiers in France, and was the second colored woman to be sent to the foreign battlefields. The first was Mrs. Helen Curtis, widow of the late James L. Curtis of New York, who died while serving as Minister to Liberia. Two years were spent at the University of Strassburg by Mrs. Hunton, and she has done a good bit of foreign travel. In collaboration with Miss Katherine Johnson, also a war worker, Mrs. Hunton wrote a book reciting her war experiences which has had a large circulation.

She brings to her new duties as president of the New York women's organization an experience and culture that should serve to put that group in the front rank of women's bodies.

Mrs. Addie Hunton Elected As Head Of Women's Federation

Succeeds Mrs. M. C. Lawton, Who Had Refused Renomination

MRS. KNAPP, SECRETARY OF STATE, MAKES SPEECH

17th Session of Empire State Federation, Held July 7-9 at Newburgh

Newburg, N. Y.—Mrs. Addie Hunton of Brooklyn was elected president of the Empire State Federation of Women's Clubs at the Thursday afternoon meeting of their annual convention which convened here June 7,8 and 9. Mrs. M. C. Lawton, the retiring president declined renomination, and was made honorary president.

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The other officers elected for the ensuing tearm were: Mrs. Mary De Voe, Newburgh, vice president; Mrs. Josephin Holmes-Frazier, New York City, chairman of the Executive Board; Mrs. Florence Monroe, Mount Vernon, recording secretary; Mrs. Elizabeth Kidd, Corona, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Antoninette Fountain, Brooklyn, financial secretary; Mrs. G. H. Fryerweather, Brooklyn, treasurer; Mrs. Estelle Berkley, New York City, organizer; Mrs. Dotson James, New York City, auditor; Mrs. Florence Spivey, New York City, chaplain; and Mrs. Lutie L. Cowan, New Paltz, parliamenterian. Honorary presidents are Mrs. Frances R. Keyser of New York City and Mrs. M. C. Lawton, of Brooklyn.

Several hundred delegates from clubs from all over the state were in attendance at the seventhenth annual session which was one of the most orderly and harmonious of its history.

The Tuesday afternoon meeting was addressed by James H. Hubert, secretary of the New York Urban League. At this meeting an interesting demonstration in domestic science was given by Mrs. Mamie E. Graves of Jamaca, L. I. Mrs. Della Lawrence of Poughkeepsie rendered a piano solo.

On Tuseday evening the Federation was welcomed by Mayor Roy Spencer of Newburgh. Mrs. Josephine Holmes-Frazier responded. The delegates then listened to the annual address of their president, Mrs. M. C. Lawton. Musical selections were rendered at this meeting by Mrs. H. C. Fairfax of Newburgh, Mrs. Florence Monroe of Newburgh and Mrs. Marie Houston Berry of New York City.

Wednesday morning Mrs. Addie Hunton delivered an address on "Our Part In Peace and Foreign Relations Movements." Mrs. Virginia Peterson of Newburgh gave a select reading and Mrs. Emma Shields-Penn of New York City told of the work of the Y. W. C. A. The afternoon session was given over to a conference—"The 20th Century Women a Racial Asset"—with discussions by Mesdames Cora Horne of Brooklyn, Mattie Burge of New York City, Blanche Hoffman of Ossining, M. E. Graves of Jamaica, Marie Young of New Rochelle, Della Lawrence of Poughkeepsie, Nettie Allen of Yonkers, Dr. Ardelle Dabney of New York City, Geneva Page of Corona, Miss Belle Davis of Brooklyn, Miss Ellen Green of Newburgh and Miss Eulalia Lane of New York City. Mrs. George S. Williams of Savannah, Ga., was a guest at this meeting and delivered some encouraging remarks. A report on recreational work was read by Miss Elizabeth Martin of New York City.

Wednesday evening Mrs. Florence E. S. Knapp, Secretary of State for New York, delivered an interesting address to a capacity audience at the A. M. E. Zon Church, the Rev. H. C. Fairfax, pastor.

Thursday the election of officers was held and in the afternoon the delegates went on a sightseeing tour. In the evening the final meeting was held at which time resolutions were read condemning the Ku Klux Klan parade in Washington. Copies of this resolution were sent to President Coolidge and other government officials in Washington. The newly elected officers were then installed by Rev. MacDaniels pastor of Ebnezer Baptst Church of Newburgh. An interesting address was delivered by Editor Moore of The New York Age.

The remainder of the program included: Reading, Mme. Fannie Belle DeKnight of New York City; piano solo, Mrs. H. C. Fairfax of Newburgh, N. Y.; vocal solo, Mrs. Florence Monroe of Newburgh, N. Y.; vocal solos, Mrs. Rosaline Fitzgerald and Mme. Marie Houson Berry of New York City.

Each one of the newly elected officers pledged active support to the president. Mrs. Hunton thanked the officers and invited suggestions for the enlargement of the work. The new president suggested a junior department for girls. There was a spirit of get-gether shown by all.

The invocation and benediction was by the Rev. H. D. White, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion Church of Cronwall, N. Y.

The next annual meeting of the federation will be held at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, New York City.

The committee on resolutions, composed of Mesdames Aaron Oliver, chairman, Lottie Henderson, Sadie Saunders, Drucilla Poole and Kate L. Sawyer, made a report which was adopted, in which the strictures made by General Robert Lee Bullard in his war memories upon the Negro soldiers in the A. E. F. were scathingly condemned, and President Coolidge was urged to act to prevent the Ku Klux Klan parade proposed for the District of Columbia.

The matter of universal peace was discussed, the recommendation being made that each women's club be made a factor through local interracial cooperation. It was urged that young people complete scholastic courses and the Federation planned to encourage this by establishing scholarships for thise who are able and deserving. Lynching was condemned and women were urged to make a more liberal use of political suffrage by forming classes for instruction in civics.

WOMEN'S CLUB CLOSES ANNUAL STATE MEETING

Interesting Sessions Are Held in Historic Illinois Town of Lovejoy

The Illinois Federation of Colored Women's Clubs held its annual convention in Lovejoy, Ill., Aug. 18 to 26. The reports of the 184 delegates and the 21 departments showed the wide range of activities in which the club women are engaged.

Some of the outstanding features of the convention were the masterly address of welcome by Hon. W. Washington, mayor of Lovejoy and a man of our own Race, and the seven scholarships which were awarded deserving young students who wished to avail themselves of a higher education.

The exhibitions and history of specimens of 123 trees showed the thought and effort put into the forestry department by Mrs. Emma Barner, Danville.

Quinn chapel, founded by John Paul Quinn the oldest A. M. E. church this side of the Alleghany mountains, and nearly 100 years old, was used for committee meetings.

At the invitation of Mrs. Annie Malone the entire delegation motored to St. Louis and held their Thursday evening program on the picturesque roof garden of the famous Poro College.

The event of the evening was a musical contest between Mrs. Clara Grigsby, Bloomington; Miss Willmarth Jackson, Carbondale, and Mrs. Etta Jones, Milwaukee. Mrs. Jones won first prize. A delightful luncheon was served by the hostess.

An invitation was extended the convention by Mrs. Anna Gillis to visit the tomb of Elijah P. Lovejoy. Forty-eight delegates accepted the invitation and motored to Alton, where they were met by Mrs. Gillis. Hon. C. H. Davis, the mayor, made a welcome address. A committee of white club women, headed by Mrs. H. M. Schweppen, were waiting at the grave, where a short but impressive ceremony took place, with the mayor speaking of the life of Lovejoy.

Mrs. Annette Officer and Mrs. Anna Dorsey led the Negro national anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing." Mrs. Gillis spoke for the Alton club women, Mrs. J. Snowden Porter for the national. After prayer by Rev. E. D. Green, Mrs. Irene Goins, president of the Illinois federation, with fitting remarks placed a beautiful wreath on the last resting place of the great statesman and advocate of human liberty, Elijah P. Lovejoy.

STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS IN BRILLIANT SESSION HERE

First Series

Early arrivals for the meeting of the Twentieth Texas Federattion of Colored Women's Clubs reached Dallas Monday and the assignment of homes began.

The Federation opened Tuesday and will extend through Friday, the 10th. Holding its meetings in the auditorium of the Booker Washington High School. Organized in 1905 with Mrs. E. B. Moore of Ft. Worth. This organization has made a rapid stride and is accomplishing much.

One of its purposes is to enlist more women in the work of racial development and community betterment.

"Lifting as we Climb" is the motto of this organization.

"Better homes, higher ideals, a finer perception and appreciation of all that is good, all that is beautiful of every thing indeed that tends toward the uplift and advancement of our people is their foreword.

A longer attendance is expected and the hostess, Dallas City Federation of Colored Women's Clubs has left no stone unturned to secure good homes, make this the best meeting. As the president, Mrs. J. H. Waller remarked.

Tuesdny's Opening

Prior to the program in the auditorium of the Booker Washington High, the State officers went into an executive session. A good attendance and large number of delegates from the diffrent parts of the states were noticeable.

The meeting was called to order by the State President, Mrs. H. E. Williams of Corsicana on the rostrum that was beautifully decorated with palms and cut flowers to the right of the State President, Mrs. E. C. Adams of Beaumont, and the 1st Vice President, Mrs. Homer Hollier to the left.

The "Negro National Hymn" was the first song to unite the hearts and attention of those present.

The 15th Psalm was read and prayer offered by Mrs. M. M. Sanford of Waco.

President. H. E. Williams urged the members to make this the best meeting yet by keeping in mind what they represented. The best type of womanhood and attending promptly and strictly the purpose for which the Federation had convened.

Other principle speakers of the morning were Mrs. C. E. Adams, Honorary President, who has for fifteen years been in regular attendance and given her best and earnest services for the uplift of the race. Mrs. Adams possesses traits of a strong leader and faithful worker.

Mrs. J. H. Waller, president of the City Fderation extended greetings and welcome to the visitors.

Mrs. B. C. Tedford of Galveston, responded mentioning the many things for which we are thankful.

Mrs. S. C. McCoy made a report of the "National Association which convened in Chicago last summer at which meeting Illinois contributed $1,000 to education, Ohio $2,000, Missouri $800. Texas was scored by the speaker for its small contribution and lack of interest in national affairs. Members were urged to make amends and look forward to a fuller attendance at the coming convention which is to be held in California.

That the United States has been divided into sections and Texas was one of the Southwest section was stated by the President with a brief outline of the recent sectional meeting held in Innsburg, S. C.

Mrs. D. L. Rodgers of Grandview pleased the audience with a musical selection.

A paper on the Benevolence of the Federation was read by Mrs. M. L. Miller of Fort Worth.

The naming of committees by the president brought the morning session to a short intermission during which time the different clubs were registered.

Song—"Count Your Many Blessings."

The delegates were called and presented to the president by Mrs. J. H. Hines of Fort Worth.

Mrs. E. E. Burnette responded.

Greetings were brought by Mrs. E. B. Williams, chairman of the State Woman's Missionary work of the C. M. E. church.

Rev. W. L. Dixon spoke of the orphanage—Its needs and urged the women of the race to give more of their support.

Response by Mrs. N. Moxey.

Benediction by Rev. W. L. Dixon and the delegation retired to the school cafeteria where a most palatable dinner awaited them.

Afternoon Session

The principal business of this meeting was the clubs' roll call and report of credential committee.

Night Session

Mrs. Homer Hollier, presiding. The meeting was called to order and the Negro National Hymn Song.

Invocation—Mrs. C. E. Adams.

Song—"My Country 'Tis of Thee"

Solo—Miss L. N. King, Ladies Progressive Club, Wichita Falls.

Welcome on Behalf of Citizens Prof. T. W. Pratt, Dallas.

Welcome on behalf of Schools Prof. J. J. Rhoads, Dllas.

Music—"Bridal Chorus" by Bow and Ivory Club, Mrs. Nona Vaultz-Pew, President.

"That Negro Women had contributed more to the race than others and now should see that their interests were protected."

Forty to Ten per cent in comparison with other race of delinquent girls and the Federation should support a child's guidance clinic were some of the high points stressed by the speakers.

Mrs. R. B. Lands of Marlin rendered a very pleasing solo, accompanied by Mrs. N. J. Johnson of Navasota.

Welcome on behalf of the City Federation was extended by Mrs. A. H. Dyson of Dallas.

Solo—Miss Dallessa Holland.

Welcome on behalf of White Rose Girls by Mrs. James Hardin.

Mrs. M. L. Tucker of Fort Worth responded stating that there was more than Art to work for in the Federation.

Madam T. W. Pratt at the piano rendered "The Ten Commandments of Love"

Violin selection by Madam Pratt—"Souvenir."

The President's Message—Mrs. H. E. Williams was broad and far reaching into the needs and accomplishment of the race and Federation.

That no race could be higher than its women was stressed by the speaker. Co-operation was encouraged.

The program closed with all expressing their pleasure over a proftable evening.

Woman's Work-1925.

BIENNIAL MEETING OF SOUTH EASTERN FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS. ORANGE S. C.

By Mrs. R. M. Neely

The third biennial meeting of the Southeastern Federation of Colored Women's Clubs was held at the State A. and M. College, in the city of Orangeburg, S. C., June 24-26. The meeting was held jointly with the annual meeting of the South Carolina Federation of Colored Women's Clubs Mrs. Marion B. Wilkerson, president and was attended by two hundred delegates, prominent representatives of eight states, which are placed geographically in the southeastern group

Programs Inspirational and Instructive

The programs embraced conferences on Home Betterment, the Advancement of the Negro church, the Advancement of the Negro School Round Table discussion on Citizenship, Inter-Racial Relations and reports from the States on the work being done for the care of delinquent colored girls.

One of the outsanding features of the convention was the address on Wednesday evening at the Williams Chapel, A. M. E. Church, by Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune, President of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs. Mrs. Bethune was clear and insistent in her call to the women of her race for self-development, and to unselfish service. To the cries of neglected children, the untrained youth, the aged and the poor. They were urged to continue with ever increasing intelligence courage, zeal and faith, aye if need be with our lives, to answer the call of the home. She took the occasion to explain the protest made against segregation at the great quinquennial meeting of the international meetings of women in Washington, D. C. Reverent mention was made of the passing of Mrs. Margaret Murray Washington.

Appreciation from the southeastern was expressed by Mrs. Rebecca Stiles Taylor, corresponding secretary, and a very forceful speaker. A diamond broach was presented to Mrs. Bethune from the South Carolina Federation, an expression of the honor felt by the State, that the highest honor to which a colored woman can attain, is held by one of its very own daughters.

The Inter-Racial Conference was addressed by Mrs. C. P. McGowan, chairman of the State Inter-Racial committee, Mr. David Jones, National Headquarters, and Mr. Frazier, head of the Social Welfare School of Atlanta.

Friday at the noon hour the Convention, meeting jointly with the 300 teacher pupils who are attending the Summer School, were addressed by the school state officials, Superintendent Hope, J. B. Felton, R. B. Crain, and Jackson Davis, of Richmond, Va.

Some very excellent music was furnished by the talented young people of the state and from the Daytona Cookman Quintette, who is touring the East, singing in interest of their school at Daytona, Fla. Already $5,000 has been raised by them.

South Carolina Has 100 Federated Clubs

South Carolina is said to be the best organized state in the National Association. Its program is developed through its ten departments. Their primary charity is the Girls' Home at Fairwold. At this meeting a Christmas tree, which blossoms in June, was filled with personal gifts, in cash money, amounting to $300. A munificent bequest of $2,600 was left the school by Mrs. Bradley, one of the faithful members.

It has a well organized Junior Federation and the Junior Federation hour was one of the most enjoyable features of the program, conducted by Miss Sadie Gray, with Miss Isabel Hurlong, Physical Culture demonstrator.

Officers Elected

President, Mrs. Rebecca Stiles Taylor, Savannah, Ga.; Vice-President-at-Large: Mrs. Louise F. Homes, Florence, S. C.; Chairman of Executive Board; Mrs. A. M. Brown, Birmingham, Ala.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Florence J. Hunt, Fort Valley, Ga.; First Recording Secretary; Mrs. Mary S. Lipscomb, Birmingham, Ala.; Second Recording Secretary, Mrs. L. E. Green, Florence, S. C.; Treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Andrews, Jacksonville, Fla.; Editor, Mrs. A. D. Zuber, West Point, Miss.; Organizer, Mrs. M. G. Williams, Savannah, Ga.; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Emma Collier, Tennessee; Statistician, Mrs. W. H. Powell, Macon, Ga.; Auditor, Mrs. R. M. Neely, Birmingham, Ala.; Medical Director, Dr. M. E. Coleman, Nashville, Tenn.; Chairman Ways and Means Committee, Mrs. Lillian J. Rhodes, South Carolina; Chairman of Educational Department, Mrs. M. B. Wilkerson, S. C.; Legislative Director, Mrs. Inez Alston, Florida; Chaplin, Mrs. M. E. Bailey, Texas; Executive Committee, Members-at-Large, Mrs. C. H. Brown Mosses, Sedalia, N. C.; Mrs. Jane Porter Barrett, Virginia.

Resolutions Adopted

The organization went on record as endorsing intensive organization, constructive citizenship, better inter-racial relations, loyalty to the National and to Mary McLeod Bethune, our indomitable leader, the establishment of a Scholarship Fund to be used for a student in the School of Social Welfare at Atlanta, Ga. A free-will gift to be used as a Scholarship to the State School at Orangeburg.

On Friday the Convention paused in the midst of its busy program to bow its head in reverence to the memory of the late Mrs. Margaret Murray Washington, National leader, and president of the Alabama Federation These words were fittingly spoken: "I cannot say, and I will not say that she is dead. She is just away Think of her still as the same I say she is not dead—she is just away."

Palmetto State Noted For Its Hospitality

The Southeastern Federation was entertained by the South Carolina Federation, the Sunlight Club of Orangeburg, and the faculty of the State College, in fact every facility of the college was placed at the delegates' disposal. On Tuesday evening Dr. and Mrs. Wilkerson received at a beautiful lawn fete, in honor of Mrs. Bethune and other National officers. Every day there were auto rides over the city. A picnic was given on the campus on Friday, and the juniors were entertained at the Home Economic building at a party on Thursday evening. The entire southeastern delegation was invited by the City Federation of Charleston to come to that city on Saturday. The two days spent there were filled with delightful affairs, planned for the entertainment of the honored visitors. On Saturday a boat ride was given on the picturesque little boat Hildegarde There was music and refreshments, and a sail on the Ashley river about eighteen miles. Saturday evening a reception was given at Dart's Hall and on Sunday afternoon a big mass meeting was held at the Zion Church and another at the Pilgrim Congregational Church on Sunday evening.

The next meeting will be held at Fort Valley, Ga. ,and in the meantime the slogan is "On to California to the National."

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF ALA. FEDERATION OF COLORED WOMEN'S CLUBS

DEATH OF MRS. WASHINGTON CAST A GLOOM OVER FRIDAY'S SESSION

By Mrs. R. M. Neely

The sixty or more delegates attending the twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Alabama Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, departed for their homes Saturday, after a three-day session, unanimous in their opinion that it was a big meeting, and one of the best in many years. They were loud and enthusiastic in their praise of their entertainment by the good people of Selma.

They say "First impressions are lasting," when our train arrived in Selma and I looked out and saw, well pretty nearly everybody I had ever heard of in Selma, there at the station to meet us and Prof. R. B. Hudson himself, who was in charge of the numerous cars rowed out to take us to our various homes, and there were so many I didn't wonder that they had discontinued the street car service. I knew then we were going to have a big time.

It was just as Rev. R. E. Brooks, dean of Theology, Payne University, said, in his welcome address, in behalf of the citizens in a good old-fashioned way, they shook our hands and said, "Howdy, Howdy, Howdy."

And right here I want to pay tribute to those welcome addresses in behalf of the clubs, by Mrs. E. T. Walker and in behalf of the churches by Rev. J. C. White, pastor of the Congregational Church. They were all classics and miles ahead of the usual welcoming oratory and a very gracious response was made by Mrs. L. S. Gaillard, of Birmingham.

Absence of President Noticeable

The absence of the president, Mrs. B. T. Washington, whose wonderful personality has predominated so many of the sessions, was noticeably felt throughout, although much credit is due Mrs. M. L. Darden, of Opelika, second vice president, a young woman of fine intelligence, who presided in her place. Every assistance being given by the other experienced officers, among whom are Mrs. R. B. Hudson, secrtary; Mrs. A. M. Brown, treasurer, and Mrs. R. R. Taylor, chairman of the executive board.

Interesting Programs Rendered

The lengthy non-stop day sessions which opened at 9 a.m. and lasted until 3 p.m. were crowded with the business of the Federation. Reports were received from 54 clubs, $1,402.96 was raised in donations and dues. The Progressive Culture Club of Selma made the largest donation, of $150. The matron at the Girls' Rescue Home reported $250 from money earned by the girls.

The evening sessions were given to interesting programs. Among the subjects discussed were "Child Welfare," "The Handicapped Children," Dr. L. L. Burwell; "Value of Health Education to Our Children," Miss M. E. Williams, of Tuskegee; "Noteworthy Achievements of Negro Women During 1924," Mrs. R. M. Neely; "The Negro in Music," Mrs. R. S. Boyd; "Education an Achievement, Not a Gift," Mrs. J. W. Darden, Opelika;

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Mrs. A. M. L. Hall, Tuscaloosa.

An exhibition of "Some Gift Shop Suggestions," by Mrs. R. B. Jones, of Tuskegee, who had in her collection so many and so carefully selected articles, all useful and inexpensive, was interesting indeed. She ought to be encouraged to add to it and carry it over the country.

Another number on the program enjoyed by all was the physical culture demonstration by 25 young girls, Mrs. J. C. Thacker, directress. The girls wore filmy tarlton costumes and carried garlands of roses which made a very pretty sight.

Excellent Music a Feature

There were musical numbers on all of the programs, furnished by some of the talented young people of Selma. Vocal numbers were given by Mrs. A. C. Brown, Mr. J. D. Pritchett, Miss Esterline Barnes, Dr. Walker Mrs. A. S. Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bottoms, Miss Smith, J. O. Flemins and the Big Four Quartette. The instrumental numbers rendered by Mr. David Fountain, Miss Addiefie Cruckshank, Mrs. M. F. Dinkins, the First Baptist Choir and Mrs. A. M. McKenzie, of Tuscaloosa, whose music is so much admired.

Mrs. Henderson an Interesting Visitor

Mrs. Henderson, a member of the Inter-Racial Commission, with headquarters in Atlanta, addressed the convention on Wednesday evening, and remained throughout the sessions. Mrs. Henderson is a fine type of the Southern Christian white woman, who is deeply interested in bringing about better relations between the races The committee selected at this meeting to work with Mrs. Henderson representing Alabama, includes Mrs. R. R. Moton, of Tuskegee; Mrs. A. M. Brown, Birmingham; Mrs. Darden, Opelika; Mrs. Christian, Greensboro; Mrs. R. B. Hudson, Selma, and Mrs. A. L. M. Hall, Tuscaloosa.

Death of Mrs. Washington Cast Gloom Over Friday's Session

The sad intelligence of Mrs. Washington's death was announced to the convention Friday morning by Mrs. R. R. Taylor, of Tuskegee. The shocking news cast a gloom over the meeting. It was hard to realize that our indomitable leader was gone from us forever. That her slumber was so deep that our voices could never wake her, though we called forever more. Tearful reports were made by the delegates and the urgent business was hastily dispatched. All social activities were cancelled.

The nominating committee had to reassemble to select a president, leaving off with great reluctance, the name of Margaret Murray Washington, the name which had headed the list of officers for seven eventful years.

Officers Elected

The popular and attractive Mrs. A. M. Brown, president of the City Federation of Birmingham and for ten years treasurer of the State Federation, was elected president; Mrs. W. T. B. Williams, of Tuskegee, vice president at large; Mrs. M. L. Darden Opelika, first vice president; Mrs. A. L. M. Hall, Tuscaloosa, second vice president; Mrs. Forman, Anniston, third vice president; Mrs. Gibbs, of Montgomery, fourth vice president; Mrs. R. B. Hudson, Selma, recording secretary; Mrs. R. J. Brown, Birmingham, assistant recording secretary; Mrs. J. E. Hutchinson, Birmingham; corresponding secretary; Mrs. S. B Baugh, Tuscaloosa, assistant corresponding secretary; Mrs. E. Sterres Montgomery, treasurer; Mrs. R. R. Taylor, chairman executive board; Mrs. R. M. Neely, Birmingham, publicity agent; state organizer; Mrs. J. N. Brown, Gadsden.

Following Resolutions Offered

Among the resolutions adopted were continuance of every effort to have the state take over the Girls' Rescue Home, co-operation with the Inter-Racial Commission, concentrating more and more upon health education, a continued protest against present railroad conditions, the perpetuation of the memory of the late president through some fund or movement which will bear the name of Margaret Washington, beautifying and wiring the Girls' Home.

The prize, which was a medal, for the best conduct among the girls at the home was awarded Nancy Hope, of Montgomery, and another prize for the neatest appearance was won by Carnie Lee Gullet, of Mobile, Ala.

Selma the City of Smiles

Perhaps not before in any city has so many delightful social affairs been arranged for the entertainment of the visitors as was given by the Selma people. Lawn fetes, receptions, auto rides and other delightful affairs filled the hours after the day's and evening's sessions.

On Wednesday night, there was a "Get Acquainted Social" at Clark School. On Thursday afternoon, a lawn party by the members of the Modern Priscilla Club at the home of Mrs. D. L. Gaines, Sylvan Street. A delightful affair was the reception given by the citizens at the Shriner's Hall, auto rides over the city and another lawn party at Selma University.

The next meeting will be held in Tuscaloosa.

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NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION WOMEN HELL 16th ANNUAL SESSION. MRS. BROWN, PRES

Wilson, N. C.—The sixteenth annual session of the North Carolina Federation of Colored Women's Clubs was held in Wilson, N. C. Their state objective is the operation of a home for delinquent Negro girls.

The opening meeting was held in the St. John's A. M. E. Zion Church on Pender street. Despite the fact that the state failed to take over the Efland Home in the last legislature, the afternoon session was marked with the highest enthusiasm, as various city clubs reported for the year. Over nine hundred dollars was realized on the first afternoon.

Lawyer E. D. Swindell, speaking for Mayor Silas Lucas of Wilson, extended to the club women a most pleasing and cordial welcome. Mrs. Eugene Davis, president of the local womens club (white) in a charming manner extended greetings and a hearty hand-clasp from the clubs of Wilson. Mrs. J. E. Barret in charge of the local relief association, spoke most sympathetically of her work and gave a practical, instructive talk from real experience. Mrs. A. L. E. Weeks, president of the Wilson Sojourner Truth Club, delivered a warm and eloquent address in behalf of the club stating, how elated they were to be hostesses of such an august assembly. Mrs. Cecelia Norwood and Mrs. I. W. St. Clair gave pleasing welcomes in behalf of the city churches and schools respectively.

Mrs. Chas. Graves of Elizabeth City, N. C. charmingly and forcibly responded to the welcome addresses, saying in part, "We gratefully accept your hospitality, but we are here on business for the womanhood of America."

Mrs. Bethune Speaks

The president of the N. C. Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, introduced the principal speaker of the evening, Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, national president of Colored Women's Clubs, and also president of the Daytona-Cookman Institute, which she founded in Daytona, Fla. After voicing greetings from the National Federation and from the club women of Florida and reviewing some of the club activities throughout the country; she stressed the fact that the bolted doors had been opened wide with the key of education and urged her hearers to enlist in the great campaign of uplift work, making a special plea for junior clubs and the women of rural districts. Mrs. Bethune discussed the bugbear of the non-thinking element of the white race, "Social Equality." She said that if social equality were what they thought it to be,—entertainment in their drawing rooms and intermarriage—no Negro wanted it. On the other hand if it meant the privilege to buy and live where one wishes, the same educational facilities and opportunities for Negro youth and the same justice in the courts of America then all the Negroes in America want social equality.

Confidence, cooperation, knowledge and courage, Mrs. Bethune contended, would serve as beacon lights here and there for our race development.

The Saturday morning session opened in the Calvary Presbyterian Church with an appeal for more clubs by the president, Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, who later presented, Mrs. Bethune for a heart to heart talk with the officers, delegates and friends of the Federation. Final financial reports from clubs were made.

Roster of Officers

Officers re-elected and nominated are as follows: Honorary president Mrs. Clinton; honorary vice president Miss Lynch; president Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Brown; first vice president Mrs. Lucile Hunter; second vice president Mrs. Maggie Jones; third vice president Mrs. Josie Taylor; corresponding secretary Mrs. M. L. Gullins; recording secretary Mrs. A. J. Griffin; assistant recording secretary Mrs. J. A. Fountain; treasurer, Mrs. Agnes Nelson; chairman executive board Mrs. M. S. Pierson; chairman ways and means committee, Mr. Outlaw; state organizers—Mrs. Mebane, Miss Boyed, Mrs. Maggie Jones; parliamentarian Mrs. Butler.

Trustees of Efland Home—Mrs. T. W. Bickett chairman, Raleigh; Mrs. W. G. Pierson, Durham; Mrs. J. A. Cotton Henderson; Mrs. A. J. Griffin, High Pont; Mrs. W. F. Kelsey, Salisbury; Mrs. L. V. Mebane, Rocky Mount; Mrs. C. Hawkins Brown, Sedalia.

Women Hear Addresses

Dr. George Haynes, of the Federal Council of Churches, and member of the Inter-racial Committee, Atlanta, gave information of the good being done by said committee.

Lieutenant Oxley, of the State Public Welfare Bureau, imparted useful information gained from experience and real service.

$25 was reported as a donation to the Efland Home fund from the St. Augustine School of Raleigh, $88 was received from various state clubs through Mrs. Bickett.

Women Are Banquetted

The Federation was banquetted Saturday evening, bu the Wilson Club. The Chamber of Commerce contributed $100 to the banquet committee. At the banquet hall delicious refreshments were served to apporximately four hundred guests. A feature of the evening was an interesting program. Instrumental solos by Miss Weeks and Miss Howard; readings by Misses Hunter and Sherard; solos by Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Crawford; one-minute speeches by members of the executive boards.

A mass meeting was held at the First Baptist Church, on Sunday afternoon. A musical program was rendered by the Wilson Choral Club and the Training School Quartette.

The resolutions read paid tribute to the late James B. Dudley; pledged support to Mrs. Bethune; voiced a vote of thanks to the people of Wilson for cooperation and hospitality shown; and vote of thanks to Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, president, for untiring service rendered.

Delegates sang the Club Song, led by the composer, Mrs. Maude Bruce Cotton. A silver cup donated by the Asheville Club three years ago, and won by the Raleigh Club for two consecutive years, was won by The Twentieth Century Club of Durham. Presentation was made by Miss Boyd of Raleigh to Mrs. Avery of Durham. Mrs. W. G. Pierson of Durham presented the speaker, Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Brown president.

New York Age 5-30-25

The National Council of Women in Biennial Session

By ELIZABETH L. GULLEY

For the Associated Negro Press.

The National Council of Women, United States of America is holding its Biennial Session at the Hotel Book-Cadilac in Detroit, Mich. Mrs. Mary McLoud Bethune, President National Association of Colored Women, is a very prominent figure at its meetings. The other delegates are: Mrs. Addie Whiteman Dickerson of Education; Mrs. C. B. McDowell, of Philadelphia, National Chairman Treasurer, National Association Colored Women; Mrs. Nevins, President City Association of St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Margaret Williams, President Michigan Association of Colored Women. There are 12 local delegates and alternates.

Mrs. Bethune is a member of the Election Committee, Mrs. Dickerson is on the nominating committee. Mrs. Bethune was nominated for Fourth Vice President of the Council. She made a profound plea for fair play for the Negro womanhood of America. Her report of the club work was impressive.

Suitable resolutions on education, railroad accommodations and law enforcement were presented. Mrs. Addie W. Dickerson represented our group at the memorial services held at the Unitarian church, speaking in memory of Dr. Barrett; Mrs. Mary B. Talbert, and Mrs. Booker T. Washington, who passed on since the last meeting.

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Woman's Work—1925.

23rd Annual Convention of Georgia Federation of Colored Women's Clubs

The twenty-third annual convention of the Georgia Federation of Colored Women's Clubs was held in Campbell Chapel A. M. E. Church, Americus, Ga., June 17, 18, 19 inst.

The executive board met on Wednesday morning, Mrs. Bessie Graham Chapel presiding. On Wednesday afternoon a Health Symposium was held during which a practical and very entertaining address was given by Dr. Smith of Americus. In plain, but choice language, the women were told of the value of soap and water to the health of a people. Actions of every-day life were stressed and statistical records were given, as well as reports on health conditions in the several cities were made.

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Mrs. Sarah Watson King kindly read an interesting paper prepared by Mrs. Pauline Hall, public health nurse of Albany, Ga., which was both informational and inspirational.

Americus Night

Wednesday night was Americus Night and most heartily did Americus welcome her guests. Welcome speeches were made in behalf of the churches, schools, fraternal organizations, city federation and the citizens at large.

To all of which Mrs. Willie Hill Powell, of Savannah, readily responded. The annual address of the state president, Mrs. Rebecca Stiles Taylor, was replete with wholesome information along the lines of health, education, social service and citizenship. She stressed the great need of Intensive Organization, Interracial Co-operation and Constructive Citizenship and showed how, beginning with the small local club, the women of the race were cementing their strength through city units, district and county units, state units, sectional units until the great and outstanding National was made possible.

These welcoming exercises were held in Bethesda Baptist Church and were interspersed with sweet and beautifully rendered music by the young people of Bethesda choir and the A. M. E. League.

Mrs. Viola Hart Felton, president of the City Federation of Americus and Royal Grand Matron, of the Eastern Stars of Georgia, presided assisted by Mrs. Kennedy.

STATE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS CLOSE FINE MEETING

Roanoke Chosen As Place Of Next Annual Gathering; Various Topics On Human Welfare Engage Attention.

Staff Correspondence

Farmville, Va.—The Virginia Federation of Colored Women's Clubs got into full swing here June 30, in its eighteenth annual session with its leaders and members reporting upon the past year's work and laying plans for another year of intensive activity in "Lifting as we climb." Approximately 75 delegates and a large number of visitors attended the four day session which ended July 4.

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The entire sessions were characterized as among the most constructive and interesting held in the past eighteen years. One of the salient features of the convention was the excellent quality of the reports and addresses, one of which, that of the President, Mrs. Janie Porter Barrett, was voted to be put into the minutes of the Federation verbatim. Two papers were so well received by the delegates that they were voted to be published in pamphlet form and distributed by the Federation to the various clubs of the State. These papers were "Moral and Religious Training of a Child" by Miss Bettie Branch, of Farmville, and, "Duty of Community to Child" by Miss W. I. Bagnall, of Norfolk.

Welcome Addresses

Five persons welcomed the State Federation to Farmville on behalf of various groups and on behalf of the city. At the first session of the Federation, held at eight o'clock Tuesday evening at First Baptist Church, the Mayor of Farmville, Mr. Sanford, extended a welcome by proxy. Mr. Nathaniel Griggs greeted the delegates on behalf of the citizens; Miss Marion Hankins on behalf of the churches; Miss Viola Lancaster on behalf of the Federated Clubs; the fraternal greetings were extended by Mrs. Pearl Madden, and Miss Maria Burke responded to the five welcomes extended the body of women who carry on such a constructive work. The church choir furnished music on this occasion and Rev. J. C. Carroll, pastor, conducted the devotionals.

The report of the Personal Hygiene Division was made by Miss E. S. Lewis of Clifton Forge, Va., and the Community Health Division's report was read by Mrs. Schley, Roanoke. Mrs. T. J. Howard spoke of the Home Economics work.

7-11-25.

Mrs. P. B. Young, of Norfolk, conducted the meeting of the Education Department at which there were interesting talks by Mrs. A. M. Randolph, Farmville, Mrs. Florence Coles and others. At the meeting of the Citizenship Division, Mrs. M. E. Forrester, State chairman, talks were made by Mrs. Isaac Rowland, Lexington, and Mrs. E. T. Connor, Clifton Forge. Under the Business Division, Mrs. Cora Wilder, chairman, Mrs. C. B. Brown and Mrs. Mary Grasty spoke. The chairman of the Publicity Division was Miss Maria Burke and of the Inter-Racial Division, Mrs. Ida Harris. Mrs. Ida Bagnall of Norfolk headed the Junior Division.

The chief work of the Convention Friday consisted of hearing reports of the various departments, all of which were good.

Dr. Brydon, State Official, Speaks

"Child Welfare Problems" was the subject of an address by Dr. Brydon, Director State Bureau Child Welfare, Richmond. It was one of the most interesting of the convention. Others of equal merit were frequently heard, however. Miss L. A. Jenkins, Hampton, addressed the body at the Wednesday session. "A Glimpse of the Inside Working of the Industrial Home School at Peake," an address by Miss E. E. Jones, was said to be one of the best of the four days. Another address, "The Family Budget," by Mrs. William H. Hughes, Richmond, was especially instructive. "How to Protect the Health of Growing Children" was ably handled by Miss Mamie Rice, R. N., Public Health Nurse of Prince Edward County. Dr. S. A. Brown, Petersburg, spoke Thursday evening. The Director of Public Welfare of Lynchburg, Mr. Mosby Perrow, addressed the Federation Friday. "Humane Education," an address by Miss Blanche Finley of Richmond, who represented the National Humane Society, was a feature of the Friday meeting. Another speech, "Church Work," was given by Mrs. C. M. Saunders.

The final two events of the last session, held Friday, were the program by the Junior Division of the Federation and the report of the Virginia Federation delegates to the National Convention held in Chicago, August, 1924. These delegates were Mrs. Ora B. Stokes, Mrs. W. T. Johnson of Richmond; Mrs. Pannell of Staunton and Mrs. Adams of Chicago.

Next Meeting In Roanoke

The next convention of the State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, its 19th, will be held in Roanoke, Va., early in next summer.

The officers of the Federation are:

Mrs. Janie Porter Barrett, Peake, president; Mrs. Ora B. Stokes, Richmond, vice president at large; Mrs. Ellen F. Gray, Hampton, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. W. T. Johnson, Richmond, recording secretary; Miss W. I. Bagnall, Norfolk, assistant recording secretary; Miss Carrie M. Sharp, Petersburg, chairman of executive board; Mrs. Millie Paxton, Roanoke, Chairman of Ways and Means Committee; Mrs. Wm. M. Reid, Portsmouth, treasurer; Miss Lizzie N. Brown, Charlottesville, State Organizer; Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, Richmond, auditor; Mrs. Almira Ambush, Staunton, chaplain.

NORTHEASTERN FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS HOLDS 29th SESSION AT STAMFORD

Stamford, Conn.—The twenty-ninth annual convention of the Northeastern Federation of Women's Clubs is being held here this week in the High School Auditorium, Forest street with a large attendance of women from the various New England states. Miss Elizabeth C. Carter, of New Bedford, Mass., president, opened the session Thursday morning, August 6, at 8:45 o'clock.

Preceding the formal opening, the executive board and credentials committee held meetings on Wednesday, and a special program was rendered at night under direction of Mrs. Rebecca F. Tanner of Stamford.

New York Age

After the opening prayer Thursday by Mrs. Mary S. Ruff, champlain the address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. Tanner, with a response by Mrs. Dora O. Johnson of Boston. A parliamentary drill was led by Mrs. Louise Fayerweather of Brooklyn, N. Y., and reports were heard from the various committees.

8-8-25

A round table discussion in the afternoon was led by Mrs. Elizabeth Brent of New Haven, Miss Lena Fortes of New Bedford, Miss Ella Wilson of Worcester and Mrs. Linna Saunders of New Haven. Music was rendered by Miss Harriet Holmes of Stamford and Miss Inez Evans of Waterbury.

New York N.Y.

The night discussion embraced a symposium on lynching, led by Mrs. M. Craveth Simpson of Boston: legislative, Mrs. Mary M. Griffin of Philadelphia; Citizenship, Mrs. Laura A. Smith of Boston, with vocal solos by Mrs. Eleanor McNair and Mrs. William Lewis both of Stamford.

Frday's sessions included reports by the treasurer, Mrs. Eva Bernard of Cambridge, and the auditor, Mrs. Lottie A. Henderson of Brooklyn, and the election of officers was held during the morning session. In the afternoon the round table discussions embraced child welfare, Miss Esther Bradley of Brooklyn; mother's department, Mrs. Olive Joseph of Boston; publicity, Mrs. Elizabeth Jeter-Greene of New London; prison reform, Mrs. Minnie T. Wright of Boston; and social service, Mrs. Rosa Brown of Boston. Solos were given by Master Davis McKeithen, vocal, and Mrs. Louise Andeson, piano, both of Stamford and a duet was sung by the Misses Helen and Marjorie Brown and a recitation was given by Miss Lucille Tanner of Stamford.

The feature of the night session was the symposium on race history conducted by Dr. Adeno, C. E. Minnot of New York which included an account of her recent visit to Cuba. Delegates to the National Convention at Chicago made their reports.

Mrs. Addie W. Hunton of Brooklyn, N. Y., newly elected president of the Empire State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, was a visitor durinf the session.

Officers of the Northeastern Federation during the past year were Miss Elizabeth C. Carter, New Bedford, president; Mrs. Dora O. Johnson, Boston, Mrs. Eugenia Heathman, Provdence, Mrs. Emma L. Benton, New Haven, Mrs. Lucretia Freeman, New York, Mrs. Bertha Oliver, Newark, Mrs. M. M. Marshall, Washington, Mrs. Emma White, Baltimore, Mrs. E. Gertrude Rose, Wilmington, vice-presidents; Mrs. Susie I. Amos New Haven, recording secretary; Mrs. Charlotte A. Bell, Brooklyn, assistant; Mrs. Alice F. Thompson, Brooklyn, financial secretary; Mrs. Eva. Bernard, Cambridge, tresurer; Mrs. Mary E. Gardner, Cambridge, organizer; Miss Roberta J. Dunbar, Providence, chairman executive board; Mrs. Lottie A. Henderson, Brooklyn, auditor; Mrs. Mary S. Ruff, Haverhill, chaplain.

Mrs. Bethune To Enlarge Program Of Women's Clubs

President Gives Up Much Needed Vacation To Inaugurate New Program

Under the personal leadership of its able president, Mrs. Mary McLeob Bethune, the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs is ascending to new heights. That organization is now in the midst of a drive to put over the five point program Mrs. Bethune has mapped out for the year. This program calls for the raising of a $50,000 scholarship fund for education; a fund of $10,000 for the maintainance of the Frederick Douglass Home in Washington, to be known as the Mary B. Talbert Memorial Fund; the revision of the constitution so as to put all departments under a business basis; a campaign to induct 50,000 young women in high schools, sororities and fraternal societies into the organization; and to establish a national headquarters with an executive secretary in Wahington.

New York Age

So determined has Mrs. Bethune been to put over this program that she has been spending her first real vacation from her school at Daytona, Fla., in speaking to women in various parts of the country to interest them in its importance.

11-14-25

After twenty-one years of hard work in establishing and carrying the responsibilities of Daytona-Cookman Collegiate Institute as its principal, Mrs. Bethune was given a leave of absence this fall for the purpose of taking a rest. Instead she came North and has been working harder than ever before. In the past two months she has spoken to more than 20,000 women in the larger cities of the Middlewest and New England.

New York

At Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. she was the guest of President Henry McCraken for a week and spoke to the 1100 young women students, giving them a better understanding of the aims and aspirations of Negro Women.

She also addressed large audiences of colored women in Boston, Providence, Plainfield, Indianapolis, Gary, Chicago and Detroit.

In Detroit she attended the 7th Biennial Council of Club Women of the United States, which was held at the Book—Cadillac Hotel. In contrast to the meeting last spring in Washington, the colored delegates were given every consideration. They were represented on important committees, attended the banquets, luncheons, etc. and Mrs. Bethune had the honor of being nominated for vice president. She was defeated by only three votes.

Because of an emergency, Mrs. Bethune has cut short her tour in behalf of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs and has returned to New York for a week to raise $25,000 for her school.

To a reporter she told of her struggles in developing the school and of the great work it is doing. She says that there is no colored schools in her county that gives a high school course. Her school has a competent staff and in addition to industrial courses it has a splendid hospital and nurse training school and a teacher training school. There are now about 400 students.

Mrs. Bethune declared that nothing could take the place of christian education. Continuing, she said that the time has come when the well-to do and educated Negro must realize his responsibility in supporting institutions of the race. Whenever she asks a contribution from some rich white person, they now ask what certain wealthy members of her own race are doing to help so worthy a cause.

In giving herself wholeheartedly in behalf of her race, Mrs. Bethune is setting example that other leaders of the race might well follow.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN $50,000 EDUCATIONAL DRIVE

When in 1892 women were making busy preparations for the wonderful Columbian exposition, Mrs. Hallie Quinn Brown, honorary president of the N. A. C. W., asked that one of the Race be placed on the board of managers. She was told that the Race had no women's organization back of us. She lost no time in impressing upon women everywhere the importance of organized effort, and when in 1895 an obscure man in an obscure Missouri town sent broadcast over this country and England a letter reflecting upon the character of Race women, the women were aroused and eagerly responded.

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11-28-25

A call sent out by the late Josephine St. Pierre Ruffin to come to Boston to vindicate themselves brought the National Federation of Women's Clubs into being with Mrs. Booker T. Washington as president.

One year later, July, 1896, the National league of Washington, Mrs. John Cook, president, and the National federation consolidated at the 19th St. Baptist church, and the National Association of Colored Women was born with less than fifty clubs and not quite five hundred members.

The 14th biennial convention at Chicago last year, with a large number of delegates and visitors and excellent reports, discussions and demonstrations, was proof positive of the growth of the organization.

Forty-two departments have been formed. Mrs. Mary Church Terrell made the first one possible by compiling the press comments of the Chicago meeting in 1899 and selling them to create the kindergarten department.

The outstanding accomplishments of the N. A. C. W. are the redemption and restoration of the Frederick Douglas home at Anacostia, under the guidance of the late Mary B. Talbert, and launching of an educational drive for $50,000 to create a scholarship loan fund to assist worthy young women and girls to attain a higher college or university training, during the administration of Hallie Q. Brown.

The N. A. C. W. is affiliated with the National Council of Women and has been ably represented in international councils by Mary Church Terrell, the first president, at Berlin in 1904; Mary B. Talbert and Dr. Mary F. Waring at Christiana, Norway, in 1920; Mary McLeod Bethune and Hallie Q. Brown at Washington D. C., in 1925.

Mrs. Bethune has planned a comprehensive business program for her administration, which, with the help of 100,000 members, she hopes to put over at the 15th biennial to be held at Oakland, Calif., in 1926.

The N. A. C. W. stands for National pride, Achievement, Cooperation and Willingness to serve. The National Association Notes, published at Kansas City, Mo., is its official organ.

FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS HOLDS MEETING

Sends Message to "Linc" Johnson's Widow and Elects President

The City Federation of Clubs, of which Mrs. Clara Horton was president, held a meeting at St. Mark's M. E. church Monday, Sept 14. Usual business transacted was the reading of reports from the local clubs of the State Federation of Women's Clubs and the Northwestern Federation of Clubs, all of which showed progressiveness. Resolutions authorized to be sent to the Russian government and to the widow of the late Hon. Henry Lincoln Johnson.

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9-26-25

Among the new officers are Mrs. Nannie Reed, president. Mrs. Reed has served as efficient corresponding secretary; Mrs. Lula Heath, secretary; Mrs. Helen Brascher, corresponding secretary; Mrs. M. Gainor, treasurer; Mrs. Fannie Baxter, chairman of ways and means committee; Mrs. G. Morton, organizer; Mrs. Joanna Snowden Porter, parliamentarian; Mrs. Clara McAdams, chairman of the executive board, and Mrs. Elizabeth Lindsey-Davis, editress.

Chicago, Illinois

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune Honored By Women's Council

A great honor was conferred upon the colored women of the country by the National Council of Women last week, meeting in Detroit, by electing Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, fourth vice-president. This is the first time a race woman has ever been on the National Board.

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